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Sir:

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1. Return Receipt postcard; and
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- ☐ the original filing of the application and/or preliminary amendment (e.g. additional claim fees)
- ☒ the reply filed on 3-1-06 because of the . The reply is not fully responsive to the prior Office action following matter(s). See 37 CFR 1.111 and 37 CFR 1.135.

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- ☒ 4. The filing fee of \$ submitted in this application is insufficient. A balance of \$2,550.00 is due for presentation of excess claims (37 CFR 1.16(b) & (c)).
- ☐ 5. Other.

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